











# ANGERED AT PHONE CALL HUSBAND KILLS WIFE AND HIMSELF

Eight-year-old Boy Sees Fatal Quarrel Between His Parents

AFTER TRAGEDY IT IS FOUND COUSIN RANG UP

Wife Refused to Tell Spouse Who Had Called Her

**SUPERIOR, Wis.**—Following a quarrel over a telephone call, Ross Banks, 30, shot and probably fatally wounded his wife, Mildred Banks, 29, and then killed himself at 7 p. m. Wednesday night. Mrs. Banks is in a grave condition at St. Mary's hospital. The shooting took place at the Banks home, 1405 John avenue. The shooting was witnessed by Basil, eight-year-old son of the couple. The three were eating dinner, the boy told the police, when his mother received a telephone call. Returning to the table, Mrs. Banks asked her who had called. He received an evasive answer.

**Second Call Starts Fight**  
A few minutes later, the boy continued, there was a second telephone call which Mr. Banks answered. Becoming angry when he received no reply from his wife, the husband attempted to strike Mrs. Banks with a chair, the boy continued. When she begged him not to hit her, Banks drew a revolver from his pocket.

As Mrs. Banks ran from the room, Mr. Banks fired, the bullet striking her in the abdomen. She continued to run, going into the front room, where the boy was standing. Banks, counting through the bedroom, shot her again over the heart. She then lay on her back and fell. He then walked into the bedroom and shot himself through the heart.

Terrified, the child ran from the house to the home of his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Jane Vanderpool. The couple had been engaged in marital trouble for some time, police learned.

**Called by Cousin**  
N. J. Stanoff, cousin of Mrs. Banks, who lives at 1405 John avenue, told newspapermen that it was he who had called Mrs. Banks at about 6:30 p. m. Stanoff stated that Banks, who returned last week from Milwaukee, where he had been visiting a sister, had several times since his return threatened Mrs. Banks.

**CHILDREN ARE GUESTS OF ASPEN ELKS**  
AUSTIN, Minn.—A crowd of youngsters gathered at 1,500 gathered around a 20-foot Christmas tree on court house square as guests of the Aspen lodge of Elks, and were handed gifts of many kinds. In addition to the public party, the Elks gave out many baskets of food to needy people.

**WILSON'S GAS RATE INCREASED**  
WINONA, Minn.—The price to be paid for gas in Winona in the next four months will be \$1.59 per thousand cubic feet, an increase of three cents over the rate which has prevailed for the past four months, it was announced today. The rate is fixed every four months on the basis of the holder cost of gas for the preceding period under a federal court order.

If a man were as strong as an ant in proportion to his size, he could lift 240,000 pounds.

## BRINGING UP FATHER



## COUNTY ASYLUM AFFAIRS PROBED BY R. S. COWIE

La Crosse Attorney Represents Dr. Palmer in Quiz at Whitehall

The Trempealeau county board of supervisors Wednesday began an investigation into the administration of the county asylum.

Although the county board met ostensibly to inquire into charges filed against the board of trustees by Dr. J. A. Palmer of Arcadia, there was said to be a possibility that before adjournment the whole situation leading up to the recent ousting by the trustees of John McKivergan, for 12 years superintendent of the asylum, might be reviewed.

Frank M. Smith of Osseo, for 23 years a member and secretary of the board of trustees, was the first witness called. He was questioned by Attorney R. S. Cowie of La Crosse, counsel for Dr. Palmer.

Mr. Smith testified that he received a salary of \$100 extra, fixed by the board of trustees, for acting as secretary. Attorney Cowie quoted statutes to the effect that such a salary should be fixed by the county board. Mr. Smith said he was not familiar with the statute.

Mr. Smith was closely examined as to a contract between the trustees and Dr. J. A. Lee of Osseo for construction of a heating plant at the asylum. Questioned as to whether Lee had failed to complete the job within the time specified in the contract, and

whether he had not been paid the full contract price of \$17,278.97 without subtraction of penalties of \$10 per day provided for each day of default, Mr. Smith admitted that such was the case.

Attorney Cowie also brought out that the three members of the board of trustees, Mr. Smith, J. L. Dewey of Arcadia, and Andrew P. Ostahl of Ritnick, were Mr. Lee's bondsmen on the contract. Mr. Smith further admitted that the trustees had paid for certain materials which Lee himself should have purchased.

Attorney Cowie brought out the fact that the contract called for completion of the project Aug. 15, 1921, but that the work was not finished until the spring of 1922.

Mr. Smith admitted that he had not taken an oath of office as trustee or filed a bond up to Aug. 1. Dr. Palmer asserts in his charges that the trustees held office illegally by reason of alleged failure to take oath and file bond at the prescribed time.

Other charges filed by Dr. Palmer, which the board is scheduled to investigate, are:

That the trustees failed to keep full and proper minutes of their meetings;

That the trustees filed expense accounts for mileage to and from the asylum when they were conveyed in an automobile provided by the county;

That the trustees received pay, at the prescribed rate of \$4 per day, plus mileage, for performance of duties at the asylum when in fact they were not present;

That trustees issued an order for \$864.90 payable to A. N. Prang, M. J. Lunde and Anton Amundson when in fact such a sum was not owed to them.

**CALLED CHICKEN THIEF: SUECED**  
CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa.—Because he claims he was called a chicken thief, James J. Chesmore sued A. F. Houser for \$10,000 damages. The plaintiff alleges the defendant obtained a search warrant and searched Chesmore's premises for 40 chickens which he did not find. Chesmore claims his reputation was ruined.

**PROF. LAMOND HONORED**  
ROME.—Honorary membership in the Musical academy of Santa Cecilia was conferred upon Prof. Felix Lamond, director of the musical selection of the American academy in Rome. Prof. Lamond is the first to receive this honor since Richard Strauss.

It is difficult to find a Turkish gentleman married since the revolution of 1908 who will admit having more than one wife.

**Girls**  
—do play football! At Doane College, Nebraska, the girls have organized a football team—and play the game under the regulation rules. See the picture of this unique gridiron team in the 8-page ROTO-ART section of The Milwaukee Journal next Sunday. Buy your copy at any newsstand!

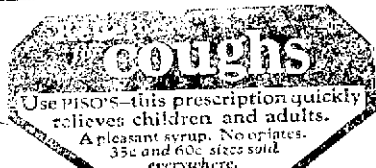


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TO PUGET SOUND—ELECTRIFIED

# CHILD WELFARE HAS NEW HEAD

## DR. J. H. FINLEY

### National Association of Child Welfare Chooses Educator for New President

NEW YORK.—The election of Dr. John H. Finley to the presidency of the National Child Welfare Association, 10 Fifth avenue, New York, just announced by the association, has created much interest in educational circles. Herbert Hoover is president and Amos L. Prescott is treasurer of the association. To elect Dr. Finley may be a significant step in the history of child welfare work, as a public spirited citizen or a journalist, but among the educators of America he will always be remembered for his services as commissioner of education of New York state and for his continued, unselfish interest in the cause of education.



Dr. John H. Finley who has been elected president of the National Child Welfare Association

The association's headquarters are in New York city. The association's purpose is to promote the welfare of children and to secure the best possible conditions for their growth and development. The association's work is carried on through its various departments, which include the following: (1) The Department of Child Welfare, which is concerned with the general welfare of children and with the improvement of the conditions of their lives. (2) The Department of Child Labor, which is concerned with the elimination of child labor and with the improvement of the conditions of the lives of the children who are employed. (3) The Department of Child Education, which is concerned with the improvement of the education of children and with the promotion of the best possible conditions for their growth and development. (4) The Department of Child Health, which is concerned with the improvement of the health of children and with the promotion of the best possible conditions for their growth and development. (5) The Department of Child Welfare, which is concerned with the general welfare of children and with the improvement of the conditions of their lives.

# Local News

Mrs. J. D. Wing and children visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Roeder of Prairie du Chien on Christmas.

Robert Harrier, student at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., is home visiting with his parents for the holidays.

New Year's and "Thank you" cards. Exclusive line at Sjolander's.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hamilton visited at Caledonia on Christmas.

F. R. A. regular meeting tonight. Key C. Davidson, student at Wisconsin, is visiting in the city over the holidays.

Miss Mildred Shaw is visiting at the home of her parents at Prairie du Chien.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Bacon visited in Caledonia.

Roller skating Friday night at G. G. Rink, also champion mile race. Bill Beckman vs. Joe Craft.

Miss Steel Dunn is spending the holidays at her home in Caledonia.

Miss Muriel Schuch is spending Christmas visiting relatives in Prairie du Chien.

After spending Christmas with their parents, Mr. Clarence Weiss and Mr. Arthur Overgard, left Wednesday for Stoughton, Wis., where they are employed with the Stoughton Wagon Works.

The K. N. A. card party, Friday afternoon, N. P. hall, 2:30. Business meeting at 8. Christmas box.

Miss Louise Rohde is spending the holidays with her parents in Wilmington.

Phone 2655 for a case of Schmidt's Select. That good malt and hop flavor.

Mrs. Will C. Shuman, of 116 South Ninth street, who submitted to a minor operation at Grandview Hospital Monday, is getting along nicely and will return to her home in a few days.

Ask Fourth Building Association. Miss Virginia Johnson is spending a few days at her home in House Ridge.

Miss Ellen Bissen, who has been visiting with relatives in the city, has returned to her home in Brownsville.

Carl F. Meyer, N. D., D. C., Chiropractor and naturopath, 122 S. 10th Street, phone 407.

Messrs. Ronald Ledecar, James Story and Edward Lau, who have been employed in Chicago for some time, are spending the holidays at their homes in this city.

Mrs. W. H. Bartz and daughter Ellen, of Milwaukee, are visiting relatives here for a few days.

Start for girl in whose future you are so much interested, a thorough course in banking, bookkeeping, penmanship, shorthand, typewriting, etc. Such a course may be obtained at the Tri-State (Kreft) Business College. A scholarship at this school is a gift-education policy against adversity. It will pay dividends a hundred-fold during the years to come. Day and evening classes are enrolling now. Better call, phone or write us today.

Miss Ethel Bartz returned from Milwaukee where she visited her brother and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ahlstrom returned from a visit in Hokah.

Miss Isabelle Burnett returned from Charles City, where she spent Christmas with her parents.

Freight transferred, Gateway City Transfer Co., Phone 179 before 6 p. m.

Mr. Harold Burnett is visiting relatives in Charles City.

Mr. Arthur Touchout returned to the city after spending Christmas at his home in New Lisbon.

Miss Lenore Smith of Charles City is visiting relatives in the city for a few days.

Phone 2655 for a case of Schmidt's Real Malta. A real malt tonic.

Carl Severson of Midway was in the city on business on Thursday.

Gustav Storge of Inver Grove, Minn., was in the city on business Thursday.

Tom Coniff of Hokah was in the city on business Thursday.

Stenok Kersha of Coon Valley was in the city on business.

# Moon Seldom Shines in Seldom Seen

SELDOM SEEN, Pa.—Bootleggers were often seen in Seldom Seen in days gone by. But now, thanks to a militant woman constable, they are seldom seen in Seldom Seen.

Who he to them, when they are! For Mrs. Julia M. Fife, who enforces the law and preserves the peace in North St. Clair township, will see to it that they won't be seen again in Seldom Seen.

Mrs. Fife, be it known, has put the moonshine dispensers, gamblers and others of their ilk on the run. Since taking office, she has rid the town of every undesirable element.

Today all 25 of Seldom Seen's citizens are the most peaceable and law-abiding folks one could hope to meet anywhere in this big old U. S. A.

Mrs. Fife did it all without firing a single shot. She refuses to carry a pistol. Verbal shots are the only ones she uses in her war to keep the lid on Seldom Seen.

Despite her Carrie Nation crusade, Mrs. Fife still has plenty of time to devote to her nine children.

And—oh, yes, almost forgot—she looks after half a dozen dogs, besides.



MRS. JULIA M. FIFE



# Society

CORA Schulze, supervisor of music in the Danish schools, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schulze, 101 South Ninth street, leaving Tuesday evening for New York, where she will visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Barnes.

THE FRENCH Island Home Makers club will have its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. M. J. Anderson, after an extended visit to the Danish schools, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schulze, 101 South Ninth street, leaving Tuesday evening for New York, where she will visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Barnes.

PERRY E. Neerose, chief of the Omicron chapter of the Pi Lambda Phi of the University of Chicago, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Neerose, of West La Crosse.

THE YOUNG People's Society of Our Saviors' Lutheran church, Sixth and Division streets, extends a cordial invitation to all members and friends to attend its annual homecoming party to be given at the church parlors Friday evening, December 28th.

MR. AND MRS. Joseph Kinder of Milwaukee, who were recently married, spent Christmas with Mr. Kinder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Kinder, 721 North Ninth street.

WILSON Colwell, pastor of the First Baptist church, is spending the holidays at his home in the city.

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# THE FLATHOUSE ROOF

By NATHALIA CRANE  
I linger on the flathouse roof, the moonlight is all a flutter like the washing on the line.

I long to be a heroine, I long to be a queen, But my feet, they dance in answer to a distant tambourine.

And, oh! the dreams of ecstasy. Oh! I have a heart in the basement, he's the janitor's red-haired boy.

There's the music of his mallet and the jingling of his saw, I wonder what he's making on that lovely cellar floor?

He loves me, for he said it when we met upon the steps, And that is why I'm on the roof to get a breath of air.

He said it! Oh! He said it! And the only thing I said Was "Roger Jones, I like you, for your hair is very red."

We parted when handkerchiefs came a-trumpeting through the hall, He's got no pocket handkerchief and I have his ball.

And so it is, I'm on the roof. Oh! Baby! I'm very sure that I'm in love with someone, dear boy.

Along upon the steeple heights, I'm dancing on a spire, To the jingling and the jangling of a distant tambourine.

To the stamping of a hammer and the jingling of a saw, And the secret sort of feeling I'm in love forever more.

Do you think it's any wonder, with the moonlight so divine, That I'm on the roof to get a flutter like the washing on the line?

ROMANCE  
By NATHALIA CRANE  
Oh, I'm love with the janitor's boy, And the janitor's boy loves me, He's got no pocket handkerchief and I have his geography.

A desert life with spicy trees Somewhere near Sheephead Bay: A right nice place, just fit for two, Where we can live all day.

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# Girl Genius of Ten Writes Love Rhymes to Red-Head; World of Letters Aroused

THE BOY  
THE GIRL  
NATHALIA CRANE

By JOSEPHINE VAN DE GRIFT  
NEA Service Staff Writer.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Romance! It raced from a brown-eyed, red-headed janitor's boy up to a window where a little girl was sitting.

And now ten-year-old Nathalia Clara Ruth Crane is writing poetry that is making venerable educators and elderly, gray-headed editors stand around and wonder.

For months editors who published her poetry thought she was an adult. They needed wonder, at all, for love can do anything—especially when it's love for a nice boy like Roger Jackson.

You see, Roger's father tended the garage and looked after the walks in the apartment at 731 Ocean avenue where Nathalia lives with her father.

And one day Roger and his gang needed somebody to help out in a game of hide-and-seek. In a word, the second story a pale little girl was sitting.

"Would you care to come down and play hide-and-seek with us?" queried Roger politely.

Garages, dwellings lead figures compiled for the first half of 1927 show a steady growth of building operations throughout the country and in the larger cities this is especially noticeable. In a questionnaire sent out by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, information was asked of all buildings over 100,000 as to the type of buildings being erected. The answers show that the greatest number were for one family dwellings and garages.

COLIC AMONG RACE HORSES  
Colic when it attacks horses may be traced to the same conditions which cause it among children. It is likely to be found due to irregular eating and watering. A racer should be

STENOGRAPHERS BEFORE CHRIST  
Stenography, so widely used today in business and secretarial correspondence, was popular, in modified form, in the ancient days of Rome. The first mention of the abbreviated system of writing is mentioned by the Roman poet, Quintus Horatius, in Book 1, when he had a school for using 1,100 signs for his own accomplishment and speed. Then also we have Plutarch's statement that Cicero's famous oration in 45 B. C. was reported in shorthand. Some other statisticians have advanced the theory also that the sermon of the saint was recorded in shorthand.

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FRIDAY and SATURDAY

O. D. KHAKI FLANNEL SHIRT  
A warm and durable shirt, some in blue and greys. Pre-inventory price—

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Hi-Top Moccasin Boots  
All leather and built for the hardest kind of wear. Pre-inventory price—

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All Wool Sox  
Get your winter's supply, regular 50c values. Pre-inventory price, a pair—

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Khaki Slip-Over Sweaters  
A big buy in sweaters. Sure to wear and give warmth. Pre-inventory price—

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25 Only MEN'S OVERCOATS  
Marked down for quick action. All wool coats in assorted shades, with yoke back, some with raglan sleeves; looks, style and quality. Our regular \$22.50 and \$25.00 values, at pre-inventory price—

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BOYS' WOOL SUITS  
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U. S. ARMY Munson Last SHOES  
100 per cent leather shoes, miles of comfort and wear, at Pre-inventory price—

\$1.98

36 pair in this lot.

NASHUA BLANKETS  
A heavy, double bed size. Nashua Blanket, former value \$4.50. Pre-inventory price—

\$2.98

Boys' and Girls' Dress Gloves  
In assorted colors; sure to wear. Pre-inventory price—

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COMFORTERS  
Made of new carded cotton, assorted patterns. Pre-inventory price—

\$2.79

Wool Mixed Union Suits  
A high grade wool mixed Union Suit, regular \$2.75 value. Pre-inventory price—

\$1.69

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# Household Suggestions

GREASY CARPET  
To clean a greasy carpet mix white and corn meal and beat the mixture, then stir it thickly over the carpet and cover with gasoline. Rub hard and quickly until the gasoline

PREVENTING SCRATCHES  
Give a rub of felt to the feet of all chairs that do not have castors. You want to keep scratches from your polished floors.

PAINT REMOVER  
Remove paint from doors or windows with strong hot soda water or with a cloth wet in turpentine.

UPPER ARM BANDS  
Flexible bracelets of pearls or combinations of diamonds and pearls are worn effectively on the upper arm at some of the smartest social functions.

RUFFLES  
Taffeta ruffles, edged with old-fashioned pinkie, are shown as something entirely new and different, and are very effective.

MILITARY  
Small capotes of gold or silver lace are worn on some of the most distinctive velvet frocks of this season.

EMERALD IS MOST PRECIOUS  
An emerald ranks the most precious of all stones. It is the green gem of the East and the finest variety of it are found in Colombia, South America, although many good ones are found in Egypt, United States, Brazil and India. The emerald is a silicate of beryllium, a coloring being due to the oxide of chromium. The emerald is very light in weight, readily scratched and is characteristically imperious and hard. Emeralds show tints of yellow or blue.

A Turk must secure permission of his first wife before he may take a second.

STANDARD TIME 40 YEARS OLD  
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# SEVERSON LAW AT STAKE IN APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT

State's Liquor Legislation Will be Riddled if Plaintiff Wins Ruling

## JUDGE HIGBEE'S DECISION IN BERLIN CASE IS ATTACKED

Principal Attack on Issuance and Service of Search Writs

THE future of state prohibition enforcement under the Severson law is at stake in a case now pending before the supreme court, on which a decision probably will be handed down on January 15.

Should the high court rule for the plaintiff, Theodore Bombinski of Berlin, who appealed on a writ of error from a decision by Circuit Judge E. C. Higbee of La Crosse, the Severson prohibition enforcement law would be riddled. A ruling for the plaintiff would:

1. Make search warrants invalid if issued on "information and belief." This is the manner in which most warrants are issued at present. It would be necessary to have evidence before a warrant could be issued.
2. State and federal prohibition deputies would have no power to serve warrants. They would have to have the warrants served by a sheriff, a deputy, or a constable.
3. Purchase of intoxicating liquors in Wisconsin would not be a crime.
4. A dwelling in which liquor was found could not be condemned as a nuisance.
5. Possession of intoxicating liquors would be lawful.

### Possession Defended

The prohibition section of the Severson law, defining the crimes created by the act, prohibits only: "The manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors, the importation into or the exportation from the state of Wisconsin," according to the brief filed by Edward F. Kileen, attorney for the plaintiff.

"There is not a syllable in this section prohibiting the purchase of intoxicating liquor, or creating such a crime," the brief states. "If the legislature had intended that the purchase of liquor should be a crime it would have been a most easy thing to insert one more word and make this clear beyond a doubt."

In the case in question, state and federal prohibition officers found a bottle of intoxicating liquor in the flat of Theodore Bombinski, located above a soft drink parlor, operated and owned by his wife. The search was conducted on a warrant made out on "information and belief," and Bombinski was found guilty by Judge Higbee of possession of intoxicating liquor. It was alleged during the trial that this liquor had been privately manufactured.

### Punishment is Opposed

"While it is clear that the manufacture of intoxicating liquors, whether in the home or anywhere else, without a permit, is a crime, notwithstanding a widespread popular notion to the contrary, it is equally clear from the act, that the legislature did not intend the mere possession of any liquor, whether illegally manufactured or not, to be punishable as a crime," the brief states.

J. E. Messerschmidt, assistant attorney general, is acting for the state. His argument, as set out in briefs filed in the supreme court, is based on a liberal interpretation of the Severson act and on citation of federal statutes and rulings in regard to liquor.

## RUSSIA SHOWS NO SIGN OF CHANGING PROPAGANDA IN U. S.

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to the kind of government the Russians have—that is an internal affair—but the United States considers it very much a matter of international jurisdiction if one nation stands back of propaganda which has for its object the overthrow of the government of another nation.

There is in America a group of so-called "liberals" who are criticizing the administration here for failing to recognize soviet Russia. There are a few business men and promoters who are trying to persuade the Washington government to make trade agreements with Russia. But there is no nation-wide opinion in favor of recognition of the soviet so long as they feel it necessary to spread hostile propaganda and plot to stir American workmen to revolt.

That Russia herself shows signs of change, the problem can be relegated to the calendar of unfinished business which from the present outlook will remain unfinished indefinitely.

## NARROWLY MISSES OATH EN ROUTE SESSION OF DIET

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pressed the highest admiration for the manner in which he had conducted himself.

To Marry in February Prince Regent Hirohito has been in the public eye in Japan considerably during recent months, as a result of his work in directing reconstruction following the earthquake and plans for his wedding on February 6, to Princess Masako Kuni-Niimi, which was sanctioned formally in June, 1922.

Hirohito, eldest son of Emperor Yoshihito, was proclaimed crown prince in 1912, and was appointed regent in November, 1921, on account of the illness of the emperor.

## MORE MEAT PRODUCED

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Production of meat this year exceeded last year's figures by one and a half billion pounds, according to estimates made public by the institute of American meat packers.

## CARS SMASHED UP IN COLLISION AT EIGHTH AND JACKSON

The automobiles of F. J. Smith, Minneapolis, and Lou Stevling, La Crosse, were badly damaged in a collision at Eighth and Jackson street at 9 o'clock Thursday morning. Neither of the drivers was injured.

Smith was driving east on Jackson and Stevling was going north on Eighth, when the cars collided at the intersection. Two wheels of Smith's Chevrolet tearing were smashed off, and fenders crumpled, while both fenders and running board were taken off the Durant coupe driven by Stevling.

## FALL SAYS FUNDS USED ON HIS RANCH CAME FROM A LOAN

Explains Riches Mentioned by Foes in Teapot Dome Investigation

WASHINGTON.—A detailed statement of the real estate and cattle investments of former Secretary Albert B. Fall, filed Thursday by the senate public lands committee, declared that a \$100,000 loan advanced to Mr. Fall by B. McLean, the Washington publisher, enabled him to purchase additional ranch holdings in recent years in New Mexico.

The source of the funds with which the former secretary enlarged his New Mexico establishment had been sought by the committee as a result of testimony given by previous witnesses in the senate inquiry into the leasing of the Teapot Dome oil reserve to Harry F. Sinclair while Mr. Fall was head of the interior department.

### Demand Sinclair Explain

Overriding the protest of Harry F. Sinclair, oil operator and holder of the lease to naval oil reserves in Wyoming, the senate public lands committee Thursday voted to require him to give details of all transactions in connection with that lease and of operations of syndicates organized to market such stock.

Much of the information asked for by the committee had been given by the witness previously, and his refusal to answer was confined to questions relating to activities of his associates.

The committee divided four to three on the motion to compel Mr. Sinclair to testify. Senators Leonard, Wisconsin; Smith, Utah; and Cameron, Arizona, republicans, voting in the negative, and Senators Walsh, Montana; Kendrick, Wyoming; and Adams, Colorado, democrats, and Ladd, republican, North Dakota, voting in the affirmative.

## DOZEN VIOLENTLY INSANE AT LARGE AFTER THE FIRE

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County officials also were scheduled to begin Thursday, one under the direction of Coroner Wolff, who arrived at the scene shortly after the first bodies were taken from the ruins.

Three of the thirteen inmates who were at large during the night returned to their homes in the city Thursday morning, according to reports to the superintendent of the institution. Relatives of the trio telephoned the asylum of their safety. Ten inmates still are unaccounted for. They are believed to have wandered from the grounds during the confusion, but the ruins of the building still are being searched for bodies.

### Crowded to Doors

County Judge Jarecki indicated he would launch a vigorous investigation of the crowded condition of the institution, which he branded "a shame to the community."

"Only three weeks ago," Judge Jarecki said, "the superintendent of the hospital sent me a letter stating the institution could not accommodate another patient."

There are approximately 3,500 patients in the hospital.

### Patients Obey Command

How he got ninety patients out of the burning building was told today by John Trece, lieutenant of the guards at the institution. They were cowering in the smoke-filled and burning building, Trece said, and efforts to get them to leave at first were unavailing.

Finally he shouted: "Forward! Attention!" An order which the patients were trained to obey. The fear-stricken patients responded and were marched and herded to safety, Trece said.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR CHILDREN IS ELKS' BIG EVENT

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Otto A. Merman, Mrs. A. J. Bruha, Committee on Entertainment of Children at Theater; F. L. Koppeler, F. E. Gauthier, F. H. Burgess, M. Rosenstein.

Finance Committee.—E. T. Mueller, John C. Burns, J. P. Salzer, F. H. Burgess.

Members of the lodge and wives of Elks assisted in waiting on tables and in the kitchen.

### MACCABEE HEAD RESIGNS

DETROIT, Mich.—D. P. Markey, for thirty-three years head of the Maccabees, has resigned as supreme commander, effective January 1, to be succeeded by A. W. Frye, supreme lieutenant commander. It was announced here Thursday. Announcement of the complete reorganization of the fraternal body on a 100 per cent legal reserve basis was made at the same time.

### GLASS LEADER DIES

TOLEDO, Ohio.—Michael J. Owens, one of the best known men of the glass industry in the United States and inventor of the Owens bottle making machine, dropped dead in his office here Thursday.

## PEACEMAKER TRIES TO END FIGHTING IN MEXICAN UPRISING

Flores, Presidential Candidate, Attempts to Arrange Peace Agreement

MEXICO CITY.—Via Laredo Junction.—By The Associated Press.—Upon the eve of federal offensives against the rebellious forces commanded by General Enrique Estrada and Manuel Gonzalez Fortuato Mayaguez, Diegoz in the state of Jalisco and General Fortuato Mayaguez in the state of Coahuila, reports are again in circulation of a peace move. The reports say the author of the new effort toward peace is General Angel Flores, governor of Sinaloa, a presidential candidate.

According to unconfirmed reports which are given prominence in Excelsior, Judge Manuel Teitel, heading a commission from Sinaloa, has arrived in Mexico City with the Flores peace proposal.

After conferring with General Estrada at Guadalupe, Judge Teitel is reported to have been in wireless communication with General Mayaguez and with De La Huerta, leader of the revolt at Vera Cruz. Details of the reported peace proposal could not be learned.

### Reports Conflict

JUAREZ, Mexico.—By The Associated Press.—Conflicting statements of the rebellious movements in Mexico continue to be given out by border representatives of the factions. President Obregon and Adolfo de La Huerta although little definite information is available.

While the revolutionaries declared that their troops have been concentrated for a new drive from Vera Cruz, consular reports stated that irregulars had been driven from the state of Morelos and forced to flee to Vera Cruz.

Part of the rebel army under General Enrique Estrada was expelled from Tancula with severe losses by 2,000 federals led by General Lazaro Carpuen, according to government advisers reaching Nogales, Ariz.

The revolutionists declare that President Obregon's avenue of escape toward Vera Cruz is closed and that he is trying to break through the Guadalupe line by attacking the Estadistas.

## JUDGE RULES OUT FRACTION OF VOTE IN KENOSHA COUNT

Rules that Barnett and Not Symmonds is the District Attorney

KENOSHA, Wis.—Judge E. B. Belden in circuit court Thursday handed down a decision ousting Frank S. Symmonds as district attorney of Kenosha county, and seating Morris Barnett. The contest between the two has been on for a year, the two men holding the job alternately in keeping with different decisions of the county canvassing board, the circuit court and the supreme court.

The court held in its decision Thursday that while there may have been a tie vote in the election that the fact that the county canvassing board issued a certificate to Barnett made him district attorney. Symmonds had held in a brief filed that he had won by a fraction of a vote, but the court did not split votes this time. It is not improbable that Symmonds will seek to take the case to the supreme court.

Barnett is expected to make a demand upon the county for the salary and to file suit to secure the rebate of salary which has been collected by Symmonds.

Judge Belden in a recent decision held that Symmonds had a right to the office but his decision was reversed by the supreme court.

### ASK LA CROSSE TO GIVE \$10,000 TO GERMAN RELIEF

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American committee for relief of German children and to plan the raising of ten million dollars in the United States for this work through American Quakers.

"We are complying with your suggestion regarding an American investigation commission. Dr. Haven Emerson, professor of public health administration in Columbia University, one of America's foremost public health experts, and Dr. Ernest M. Patterson, professor of economics of the University of Pennsylvania, neither of whom is connected with the Quakers or with this committee, are setting this week to Germany to make a careful survey of the situation respecting hunger among the children and will promptly report to this committee on the situation you so feelingly refer to.

"America has never yet turned a deaf ear to the cry of suffering humanity and since we are aware of the great need of immediate action I can inform you that through funds raised by our committee the American Quakers have already purchased several hundred thousand dollars worth of food supplies that are being rushed to the warehouse in Hamburg, the distributing center.

"Henry Tatal Brown, who sails for Germany on Saturday, represents the American Quakers and will supervise the entire child-feeding program in Germany."

(Signed) "HENRY T. ALLEN, Chairman."

### PHI KAPPA SIGMA MEETS

NEW YORK.—The fifty-eighth annual session of the grand chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma college fraternity, opens Thursday at the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria with approximately 250 delegates in attendance from the thirty-one chapters of the fraternity. Business sessions will continue twice daily until Saturday.

## "WHY WORRY" IS WELL RECEIVED AT ITS FIRST SHOWING

Almost pure comedy is the order of "Why Worry," now being played by the Beach-Jones Stock company at the Majestic theatre. Of course there is some pathos in the story, but most of this serves only to give point to the comedy. The play is about the "Why Worry" story comedy of New York life equally as funny.

It takes for its locale the homes of two extremes of New York's social strata. One, Robert Hudson, is wealthy, yet unhappy, nervous and discontented. His mother, aristocratic Mrs. Hudson, urges him to get married or at least to take more of a part in social affairs. People in his own social set are repulsive to him, however, and it is not until Connie Martin, Greenwich Village habitue, comes into his life that he becomes interested. When she makes her appearance things happen so fast and in such funny ways that the audience gets no end of fun. Eloda Sitzer has the role of Connie Martin and Dudley Miller is cast as Robert Hudson, with Adelaide Mellette as Mrs. Hudson.

The play is staged in four acts, the first taking place in the Hudsons' home, and in the second, a striking contrast, in the Greenwich Village home of Connie. Lively vaudeville numbers are put on between the acts.

## EX-OFFICIAL OF KLAN OFFERS TO HELP CONTROL IT

Offers Coolidge Aid in Cleaning Out Undesirable Elements

WASHINGTON.—E. V. Clarke, formerly high in the councils of the Ku Klux Klan, wrote President Coolidge Thursday offering to co-operate with the executive in ending the activities of "an element" which is converting the Klan into an organization vastly different from that planned by its founders.

Clarke also announced his intention of issuing a proclamation to klan members, calling the better element "either to take hold and remedy the existing evils" or to disband the organization.

### Says It is Losing

The president was told by Clarke that there had been "a steady withdrawal" from the Klan itself or from participation in its active operating control and that he had "voluntarily severed his active official connection" with the organization more than a year ago.

Various charges were made in the letter against the activities of the organization in disregard to the "high ideals, principles and purposes" for which it was formed, and these activities, Clarke characterized as a "keen disappointment to me."

"I am perfectly willing," the letter said, "to assume the moral responsibility which is rightly mine as having been chiefly instrumental in the building of the Klan. In justice to myself and the hundreds of thousands of high grade men who have been drawn into the Klan because of its declaration of ideals and principles I cannot and will not rest passive and silent and sit idly by in the face of such conditions."

### Perversion in Purpose

Clarke said in his letter that the development of the Klan as mapped out was to have been "through scientific educational propaganda inside the lodge room and through printed literature and by the establishment of great educational universities in different parts of the nation and through the building of magnificent hospitals." The president, he said, had been in an entirely different direction.

## "CANNED HEAT" DRINKING PARTY UPSET BY POLICE

Gang of Eight Men Reprimanded for Using "Canned Heat" for Drinks

POLICE officers Thursday morning rounded up a gang of eight men who had pitched themselves under the approach of the Mississippi river wagon bridge and were engaged in a drinking party, the liquor for which was being supplied from small tins of "canned heat."

No charges were to be brought against the men, police said, as they were not intoxicated at the time of their arrest. They were given a "going over" by officials and warned against the use of "canned heat" for liquid refreshments, its basic ingredient being denatured alcohol. They were still being held at Central station at noon today.

Police officials who made the arrest said there was the most part of two gallons of this, from which the paraffin-denatured alcohol contents had been extracted, scattered about on the ground under the bridge approach. They explained that in preparing the drink, the men extracted the contents and separated the liquid from the paraffin, wringing it out in a piece of cloth.

The "dope" is sold for ten cents a can, and it was stated that one healthy drink may be "squeezed" out of each.

## PSYCHOLOGISTS OF NATION AT MADISON

MADISON, Wis.—The thirty-second annual meeting of the American Psychological association opened at the University of Wisconsin here Thursday with approximately 125 psychologists representing 100 colleges and universities in attendance.

The program of the convention consists chiefly of technical papers. Among those who presented papers Thursday were Prof. Paul Young, Illinois university; W. S. Hunter, Kansas university; R. S. Woodworth, Columbia university; John E. Anderson, Yale university, and Dr. Frederick Lyman Wells, Boston.

Other well-known leaders who will appear Friday and Saturday are: Dr. E. L. Thorndike, Columbia university; Dr. L. M. Terman, Stanford university, president of the association, and Dr. J. H. Cattell, editor.

## LOST BOY FOUND ON CHRISTMAS DAY

MANITOWOC, Wis.—Christmas day brought unusual happiness to the family of Charles Keene, residing south of the city, in a message from a son, Erwin Keene, missing for seven years. The boy, who has been in the navy, wired from Oklahoma that he was on his way home from Honolulu, where he had been stationed. The family had not heard from him since he left here seven years ago, and had believed him dead. He is 25 years old, and will arrive before the week-end.

## HEAVY SNOWFALL STRIKES SUPERIOR

SUPERIOR, Wis.—The snow which commenced to fall Wednesday night will continue through the night and add to Upper Wisconsin's first touch of real winter weather this season. The temperature will drop to zero or lower, according to the local weather forecast. While snow has drifted somewhat it has not materially impeded traffic in the county districts.

### ARNOLD GIVEN STAY

MADISON, Wis.—Extension of time for filing appeal was granted in federal court Thursday to Victor H. Arnold, former president of the Madison Bond company, who was convicted of using the mails to defraud and sentenced to five years in the federal penitentiary. The extension was for fifteen days to January 15.

## FILM ART SCHOOL GETS IN TROUBLE WITH THE COURTS

CHICAGO, Ill.—How to become a movie actor, inscrutable to the bulk of the citizen, was revealed in written instructions produced in muntal court by a young woman student of the Popular Motion Picture Products, Inc. L. S. Callahan, president, and W. D. Bauer, vice president, of the organization, which enrolled a large number of screen aspirants at from \$25 to \$50 an enrollment, were held to the grand jury Wednesday on a charge of operating a confidence game.

"The A. B. C. of expressing emotion was set down in black and white in the instruction sheet. Mrs. Agnes Beck, however, testified that oral instructions were given her. She said she was told she would have no trouble getting into the movies because 'my figure was so shapely and they taught me to dance in a bathing suit.'"

## SAY BOOTLEGGERS RAIDED CHURCH ON CHRISTMAS NIGHT

Services Broken Up, Furniture Smashed and Worshipers Beaten

HANCOCK, Maryland.—Bootleggers and moonshiners Thursday were declared by authorities to have composed a band of ten men who stormed the Methodist church at Black Road, about six miles from the Christmas night, smashing the edifice and hitting up four members of the congregation, including two women.

The invaders entered after breaking windows. Once inside they began to break up church furniture. Two members of the congregation were attacked when they attempted to interfere. When their wives went to their assistance, the assailants turned upon and beat them.

Members of the church have aided authorities in breaking up stills and apprehending bootleggers.

YOUTH'S ESTABLISH THEIR INNOCENCE

JANESVILLE, Wis.—Innocence of two Beloit youths of any implication in the \$2,200 robbery of the Conger-Schoephorster store at Prairie du Sac Monday was established after the men were questioned separately for two hours and a half by District Attorney Bohm, Baraboo, and Sheriff W. H. Ohde, Sauk county in the office of Chief of Police L. J. Williams, Beloit. They were registered at a hotel the night before the robbery.

## FRANCE HONORS U. S. SCIENTIST

WASHINGTON.—Dr. L. O. Howard, one of the country's foremost entomologists and chief of the bureau of entomology of the department of agriculture, with which he has been connected for five years, has been awarded the cross of Chevalier of the legion of honor by the French government in recognition of his services to world agriculture.

## STOCK MARKET CLOSE

The closing was irregular. Some of the oils moved upward in the final hour, but selling persisted at other points. The market closed at 100 points below yesterday's close and Chandler 24. Sales approximated 1,300,000 shares.

Alford Chemical and Dye 68  
American Can 104 1/4  
American Car and Foundry 104 1/4  
American International Corp. 104 1/4  
American Locomotive 75 1/2  
American Smelting and Refs 65 1/2  
American Sugar 104 1/4  
American T. and T. 125 1/2  
American Tobacco 145 1/2  
American Woolen 82 1/2  
American Copper 36 1/2  
Aetna 65 1/2  
Aetna Life 65 1/2  
Aetna Motor 65 1/2  
Chesapeake and Ohio 69 1/2  
Chicago and Northwestern 145 1/2  
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul 121 1/2  
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. 21 1/2  
Chile Copper 17 1/2  
Consolidated Gas 61 1/2  
Corn Products 157 1/2  
Crescent Steel 82 1/2  
Cuba Cane Sugar, pfd. 63 1/2  
Erie 71 1/2  
General Asphalt 40 1/2  
General Electric 194 1/2  
General Motors 65 1/2  
General Northern, pfd. 52 1/2  
Gulf States Steel 82 1/2  
Illinois Central 104 1/4  
International Harvester 77 1/2  
Int. Merc. Marine pfd. 28 1/2  
International Paper 28 1/2  
Inventive Oil 17 1/2  
Kelly-Springfield Tire 22 1/2  
Keweenaw Copper 65 1/2  
Lima Locomotive 68 1/2  
Louisville and Nashville 87 1/2  
Marquette 104 1/4  
Maxwell Motors "B" 17 1/2  
Middle States Oil 54 1/2  
Missouri, Kan. and Tex. (New) 23 1/2  
Missouri Pacific, pfd. 28 1/2  
New York Central 104 1/4  
N. Y. N. H. and Hartford 104 1/4  
Northern Pacific 61 1/2  
Pacific Oil 61 1/2  
Pennsylvania 41 1/2  
People's Gas 41 1/2  
Producers and Refiners 24 1/2  
Reading 77 1/2  
Republic Iron and Steel 60 1/2  
Sinclair Con. Oil 26 1/2  
Southern Pacific 84 1/2  
Southern Railway 23 1/2  
Studebaker Corporation 107 1/2  
Texas Co. 43 1/2  
Texas and Pacific 61 1/2  
Tobacco Products 94 1/2  
Transcontinental Oil 37 1/2  
Union Pacific 126 1/2  
United Retail Stores 23 1/2  
U. S. Ind. Alcohol 50 1/2  
United States Rubber 35 1/2  
Wabash 104 1/4  
Washington Electric 61 1/2  
Whitcomb 104 1/4  
Willamette 125 1/2  
Wyandott 110 1/2  
Nevada Con. 110 1/2  
Ray Con. 110 1/2  
White Eagle Oil 25 1/2

## FRENCH GIVE UP HOPE FOR DIXMUDE BUT NOT FOR CREW

Believe Some at Least of Fifty Men Must Have Escaped Death

## BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN IN NORTH AFRICA DESERT

Plenty of Parachutes Should Have Preserved Crew

PARIS.—By The Associated Press.—The loss of the dirigible Dixmude is now reluctantly admitted, although hope for the safety of her crew of fifty officers and men has not yet been relinquished. Officials who still alive recall that nothing was heard of the crew of the Gotha, which broke down in Mauritania in August 11, until a week after the accident and all hope had been given up.

### Fell on Desert

It is considered certain that the Dixmude fell on the desert somewhere between Biskra and Touggourt, South Algeria, during the gale that prevented her from crossing the gulf of Gabes, and returning to France. The ship, says Le Matin, was not warned of this gale by the weather bureau, in fact, adds the newspaper, no one told the bureau of her voyage.

Inasmuch as no message whatever has been received from the Dixmude since early on the morning of December 21, it is inferred that her fall must have been violent, wrecking her wireless apparatus.

Even assuming such a crash, it does not necessarily follow that the ship's crew perished, for the Dixmude was well provided with parachutes and some of her men, it is pointed out, must have escaped. These could have obtained food and water from the wreckage.

Search Coasts in Vain Search for the dirigible off the coast of Tunis, Tripoli and Malta has proved fruitless but the navy is continuing its efforts.

The ministry of marine announced that the Dixmude had not been heard from or seen since 8 p. m. on December 21. She gave her position as approximately sixty miles north of Touggourt, or about ninety miles south of Biskra, heading for Algiers on the Mediterranean. By way of B. Saadi and Annabou, on the north side of the Atlas mountains. Her speed was given as 70 kilometers and hour and she asked for a weather report on the vicinity of the Atlas range.

The ministry announcement adds that the Dixmude was instructed not to make for France across the Mediterranean, where a gale was blowing.

## DANISH PRINCE TO WED YANKEE GIRL

COPENHAGEN.—By The Associated Press.—King Christian Thursday consented to the engagement of his youngest son, Prince Viggo, and Miss Eleanor Margaret Green daughter of Dr. J. O. Green of New York city.

## OBITUARY

MRS. A. W. JAMES

News has reached friends in this city of the death of Mrs. A. W. James of Fort Pierce, Fla., which occurred the last week in November at the age of fifty-five. Mrs. James passed away after a lingering illness due to cancer. Mrs. James was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, coming west with her parents at the age of fourteen. Later she was married in Wisconsin to Mr. James. They have made their home for fifteen years in Fort Pierce. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, one son, all of Fort Pierce, who were with her. She was also survived by four brothers and two sisters. The funeral service will be held at St. Andrew's Episcopal church conducted by the rector, Rev. Stephen F. Reade.

### HARMON S. PAYNE

Harmon S. Payne, 801 South Eighth street, died at 6:30 Wednesday evening at a local hospital. Mr. Payne was the victim of a stroke the first part of July and has been confined to the hospital ever since.

Mr. Payne was born in New York state, October 11, 1843, and has made his home in La Crosse for the past twenty-five years. His wife, Edna, died in 1911. He is survived by three children, one daughter, Mrs. Mabel Sweet of Spokane, Wash., and two sons, Mr. J. H. Payne of La Crosse, and Mr. J. H. Payne of La Crosse.

Funeral services will be held from the home at Eighth and Wisconsin Saturday morning at 11. After the funeral the body will be taken to Sparta, where burial will be made at the Mount Hope cemetery.



Thursday, December 27

# CALIFORNIA NOT SO HAPPY OVER ALIEN LAWS; MISS JAPS

As New Legislation Takes Effect Thousands of Small Farms are Empty

CAN'T GET WHITE MEN TO TAKE OVER THE LAND

10,000 Orientals Move Eastward to Other States

BY LEE OVERMAN  
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SACRAMENTO, Cal.—After 26 years of legislative endeavor to drive Japanese from California agriculture and with those efforts finally crowned with success through recent decisions of the U. S. supreme court upholding the anti-alien land laws, this state day finds itself wondering if it has succeeded a little too well.

First officers of the complete ouster of the Orientals from all agricultural activities, except as day wage earners, are just commencing to make themselves felt and already is a tendency in many sections to regret that anti-alien land legislation has been made so sweeping.

This feeling is rapidly gaining headway as thousands of Japanese farmers, refusing to go back to their former status as wage earning farm hands, are preparing to depart for other parts of the country. Some of the more recent arrivals are expected to join this migratory movement and Oriental Washington, with similar anti-alien laws, will contribute many to the new wave.

The objective points, according to Japanese associations, will be the larger centers of operation along the Atlantic seaboard and in the central states, where the Japanese plan to establish truck farms.

The anti-alien land act prohibits all persons ineligible to citizenship—such as Japanese, Chinese and Hindus—from owning or leasing farm lands, from filling land on crop share agreements, and also from owning stock in and holding corporations.

Farming has long since ceased to attract Chinese in California. Most of them are in mercantile pursuits or in other lines of business. The Hindus, however, they have always been content to be wage earners, but the anti-alien law has hit the Japanese with terrific force, for out of the 120,000 Japanese in California fifty-eight per cent are engaged in agricultural pursuits, and four-fifths of that number are "on their own."

Specifically summarized, the situation is that, having had its anti-alienage legislation declared valid, the state is suddenly confronted with 25,000 acres of farm lands left without tenants and an annual income of \$75,000,000 derived from the sale of Japanese-grown farm products.

Western markets, is suddenly topped 25 per cent. In California, there has been a 25 per cent depreciation in farm land values.

The cry for white farmers from the states to replace the Japanese has been heard. But even with this farmers there is still a question whether California can ever regain its agricultural prestige which the Japanese have helped her attain. It is an accepted truth here that Japanese farmers can make two blades of grass or anything else grow where other farmers grow but one.

In 1922 the total value of California Japanese-grown crops was \$6,250,000, compared with \$73,000,000 in 1921. Last year the Japanese farmers one-eighth of the state's million acres of irrigated farm land—but from this one-eighth they produced almost one-third of California's annual \$250,000,000 crop of farm products.

Of the various California vegetables and fruit crops last year, Japanese farmers produced asparagus, seventy per cent; berries, 95 per cent; cherries, 40 per cent; cantaloupes, 70 per cent; grapes, 90 per cent; tomatoes, 80 per cent; raised vegetables, 75 per cent; grapes, 90 per cent; seedling fruits, 75 per cent; lettuce, 10 per cent; sugar beets, 45 per cent; and potatoes, 40 per cent.

In the Imperial Valley, where the Japanese last year raised 70 per cent of California's cotton crop, 50,000 acres next spring will remain unplanted. Land owners meeting in Stockton, asserted that 40,000 acres in that section and 50,000 acres in the high Sacramento river delta region must be planted in barley if planted at all.

Already there is in progress a movement by land owners to have the anti-alien land law amended through initiative and referendum to permit Japanese farming on crop share agreements. Unless a special session of the legislature is called, however, no change can be made for at least a year and a half. Even then the amendment will meet with much opposition in the cities.

Meanwhile, the Japanese declare they are finished with their long fight to stay in California. The east, they say, offers rich opportunities for truck farming with no anti-alien land laws.

WILLIE HOPPE NOW HAS LEGAL FIGHT ON HANDS  
NEW YORK.—A writ of habeas corpus requiring Willie Hoppe, world's professional billiard champion, to leave his four-year-old son, William Hoppe Jr., into court, was issued Wednesday by Supreme Court Justice Barr on application of Hoppe's wife, who is seeking to gain custody of the youth.

ONCE A WATER BOY:  
BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—William E. Smith, once a construction gang water boy, has been named assistant general manager of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, according to announcement here Wednesday. Mr. Smith is superintendent of the North and South Alabama and Mineral divisions of the road.

## GREATER ROAD CONTACT ALLOWS LOWER AIR PRESSURE IN NEW CUSHION TIRES

The principle of the balloon or air-cushion tire, according to James E. Hale, one of its designers, lies in the combination of low air pressure and contact area of tire and ground.

"In a general way," Hale's explanation goes, "the contact area of the tread with the road expressed in square inches, multiplied by the internal air pressure, will give a figure which approximates the load carried by the tire."

For instance, a tire showing 20 square inches of contact with the road carrying 500 pounds of pressure to carry a 1,000-pound load. If the pressure could be reduced—which would require increase of road contact—greater cushioning effect would result for the same 1,000-pound load.

But reduced air pressure and greater road contact bring another element to which the tire engineers have had to pay serious attention. That is what they call the deflection of the tire, or the amount a tire bends or drops under its weight.

This degree of deflection, if exceeded, would result in harm to the tire.

Liability Increased  
According to Hale's figures, a 32 by 5 thick wall pneumatic tire, under a 1,700-pound load and 80 pounds pressure, would bend, or show an actual deflection of .95 inch under the same load, and 25 pounds pressure—which would be the amount required in proportion to contact area—a 7.30-inch air-cushion tire would drop 1.68 inch.

That is not too much of a deflection in the new form of tire, according to Hale. This conclusion he reached after experiment and study of two causes for tire failure due to deflection. There were tread and ply separation, and too much sidewall flexing, resulting in fabric failure on the inside ply.

The thin walled air-cushion tire, however, permits of much greater sidewall flexing than the thick-wall tire. With lower air pressure, the bursting stresses on the carcass are low enough to make less plies necessary. The result is that a greater degree of deflection is made possible.

From this thin-wall and less-ply construction of the balloon tire comes the question of its durability as compared with the older pneumatic. There is little cause to be concerned about that, says Hale.

No Mileage Loss  
"We have run a total of 850,000 tire miles under test observations," he says in his report, "and evidence points to average mileage at least as high as those enjoyed with regular pneumatic tires. The character of the failures will unquestionably be somewhat different."

For instance, ply separation and tread separation will be minimized in air-cushion tires, and with these eliminated the most prominent troubles will be fabric breaks in the carcass; also punctures and rapid tread wear on the front wheels when they are not aligned properly.

Many people have questioned whether with such a thin tire, punctures will not be sufficiently numerous to be of considerable annoyance. There are no grounds for concern on those scores. In 50,000 car miles of operation on our test fleet, there were seven punctures, and in 100,000 miles of operation in taxi cab service, there was an average of one puncture for each 3,700 miles.

The explanation is found in the fact that the tire, being not so taut and hard and drum-like, yields rather than be pierced by the puncturing object.

### GETS LIFE FOR THE DEATH OF NEIGHBOR

ELKHORN, Wis.—Adolph Eckman, Darwin farmer, was late Wednesday sentenced to a life prison term at Waupun by Judge E. B. Heiden in Walworth county circuit court, for shooting Carl Fritz, his neighbor, for last July. Eckman was found guilty of first degree murder. Fritz was shot to death at Eckman's home in a quarrel said to have arisen over a shotgun which Fritz claimed had been stolen from him.

### ESTIMATES CANADA WEALTH

OTTAWA, Can.—Canada's national wealth is placed at \$22,482,841,122 by R. H. Coats, dominion statistician, farm values amounting to \$6,952,351,789, or nearly one-third of the total.

David Thoreau, the American naturalist, never paid taxes not voted while he lived.

### A Stubborn Cough Loosens Right Up

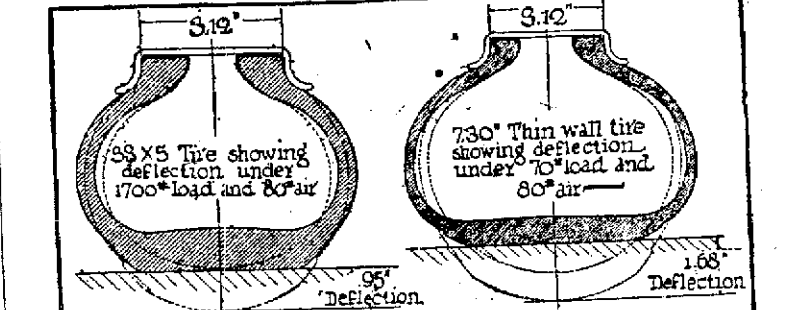
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Cross sections of pneumatic and balloon tires, showing the actual deflection of each under the same load.

The largest submarine power cable in existence is in Japan. It is 23 miles long and weighs six tons per 1,000 feet.

## EDUCATION COUNCIL HOLDING MEETING TODAY AT OSHKOSH

The annual midyear meeting of the Wisconsin Christian Education Council was held in the council offices in the Stillman building Oshkosh at 10:30 Thursday morning. Half of this executive committee is composed of men elected at the state convention by popular vote and half are officially appointed by the co-operating denominations operating in the state of which there are seventeen.

They will hear reports from the officers and consider recommendations for greatly enlarging the work to meet the rapidly growing demands made on the state office for help in the promotion of all phases of religious education.

The increasing need of a man on full time for the promotion of vacation schools, week day religious in-

struction, and community training schools will be given careful consideration. Great strides are being made along these lines and a trained man available for community council will keep many communities from making mistakes as they attempt to take up these important plans.

A program of work for the council for the year will be adopted. Members of the committee come from Janesville, Waubesa, Portage, Reedsburg, Neenah, Oshkosh, Appleton, Fond du Lac, Waupaca, Oconto, Ripon, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Platteville, Milton Junction, Beloit, Richland Center, and Arena.

## NEARLY HALF COURT BUSINESS DIVORCE

CHICAGO, Ill.—Suits filed in superior court here during 1923 totalled 11,902, of which number 5,200 were for divorce, according to the annual report submitted Thursday.

## HELEN HAMILTON LOSES LONG BATTLE; NATION MOURNS HER

CAMPDEN, N. J.—Helen Hamilton, the 13-year-old girl whose fortitude during a hopeless illness aroused nation-wide sympathy and interest, was buried Wednesday.

More than a thousand persons passed by her coffin where she lay dressed in white satin, according to her last wishes.

In adjoining room stood a small Christmas tree surrounded by toys sent to the girl during her long illness.

Her death was due to complications resulting from a rupture of the heart received several years ago when she was accidentally buried under a fall of earth while playing.

A Texas detective arrested a burglar who carried an electric lamp in the palm of his glove.

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# HE'S GOING TO HOP OFF AT NORTH POLE— YET HIS PALS ALL CALL HIM "LUCKY"

By HARRY B. HUNT  
NEA Service Writer  
WASHINGTON. — "A lucky guy? Well, we'll say he is!"

Such is the comment among navy aviators concerning Lieutenant Ralph E. Davison's selection as America's representative with Raoul Amundsen's arctic airplane expedition next summer.

More than 35 navy fliers vied with Davison for the chance to command and pilot one of the three planes with which Amundsen, with the north pole as a base of operations, expects to explore the unknown area westward from the pole, where scientists believe a great arctic continent may exist.

A combination of three necessary qualifications landed the appointment—recognized superiority in practical and theoretical navigation, skill and experience in piloting sea and land planes, expert knowledge of radio.

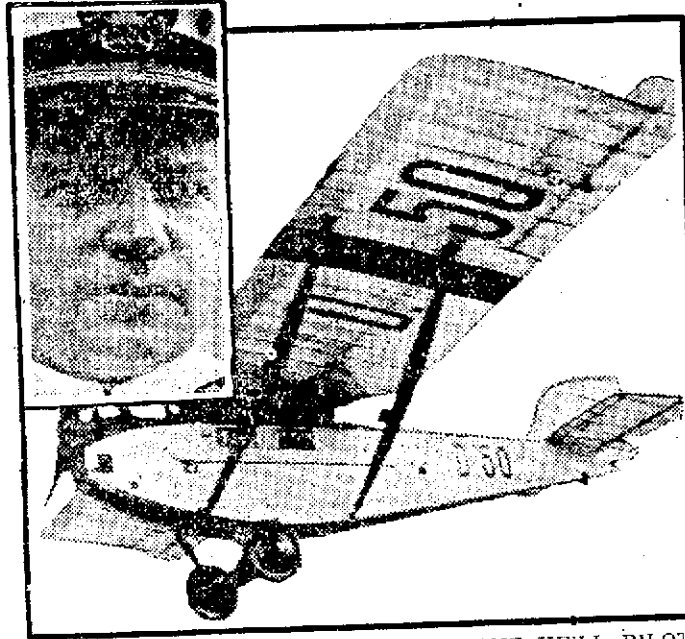
Plans for the exploration of the arctic region by planes, as detailed to officials of the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics, already have been carefully worked out. They are declared not merely feasible but wholly practicable.

Leaving Christiana early in May, the party with three specially built Dorrall Dolphin flying boats will proceed to Spitzbergen, 650 miles from the pole.

With a full load of supplies and gas they will force their way northward to pack ice, which is probably within 400 or 450 miles of the pole. There will be no mad dash for the pole from that point. Instead, proceeding deliberately, test flights will be made to accustom the flyers to arctic flying conditions.

When men and planes have been proven thoroughly adjusted to arctic flying, flights will be made to the pole with full loads of supplies. There supplies of food and fuel will be cached. The capacity of the planes will be such as to enable each plane to carry considerable weight.

**Seek New Continent**  
With a satisfactory stock of supplies built up at the pole, the explorers will operate from this base.



LIEUTENANT R. E. DAVISON AND PLANE HELL PILOT

They will undertake exploration of that vast unknown area of one million square miles, lying westward from the pole, where scientists believe an unknown arctic continent may exist.

This belief is based for one reason on the action of arctic tides, which are deflected in a way that can only be accounted for by the existence of a vast body of land. Disputed existence of Crocker Land and Keenan Land may also be cleared up by these exploring flights.

With polar explorations concluded, or when diminished stocks of food or gas make longer expeditions unwise, the aviators will strike south on the return flight to Point Barrow, Alaska, about 2000 miles across the top of the world from Spitzbergen.

**Will Use Radio**  
During the polar exploration flights

the planes will keep in touch with the depot ship by radio. It is expected they also may be able to make contact by radio, and perhaps in person, with the explorers aboard Amundsen's schooner Maud, which has been frozen in arctic ice for two years in its attempt to drift over the pole.

Besides the scientific value of the definite charting of an arctic continent, if such exists, an important result of the expedition may be in proving feasible transpolar air routes for aircraft which would link the eastern and western hemispheres by the shortest routes.

In which case, Lieutenant Ralph Davison, as one of the party to make such a flight, will be insured a proper place in history. That's why navy officers chorus:

"A lucky guy? Well, we'll say he is!"

## WEALTHY DANCING MASTER REWARDS FAITHFUL EMPLOYEES

J. L. Guyon, Chicago, to Build  
Ten 30-apartment Build-  
ings to Give Away

CHICAGO, Ill.—By The Associated Press.—As reward for their financial support and co-operation seven years ago when he needed aid, J. Louis Guyon, made wealthy in the ball-room business, Wednesday announced he was providing a start to independence and wealth for each of ten of his employees.

Ground is being broken for the first of a series of ten 30-apartment buildings, each to cost \$150,000, each of which will be turned over to one of the ten employees after three years of study of management under his guidance. Each of the buildings is expected to produce an annual income of \$25,000.

Mr. Guyon told how seven years ago when he was financially "broke," with all of his money invested in a ball-room and he had embarked on a program of "clean" dancing, he needed help to keep going and that the ten employees pooled their savings and turned the money over to him. The "modern" dances were coming into vogue and Mr. Guyon not only declared in favor of "clean" dancing, but initiated a "trip-less establishment" with rest rooms, trained nurses and other innovations.

The tide turned in his favor, and today he is the owner of some fifty apartment buildings. Now he wants to help each of the ten who helped him to get a real start toward prosperity.

The only stipulation is that the new apartment owners shall profit on rents.

## WOULD PUT LAMP OUT OF FARM HOME

MADISON, Wis.—The university extension division has started a campaign of publicity to drive kerosene lamps out of the homes of Wisconsin farmers.

In a pamphlet being issued the division points out that with a farm equipped with electricity the farm work can be done in less time and with more comfort and relieves the farm wife of a tedious drudgery.

The department sums up its information in a "lamp confession" as follows:

"I am the oldest fire bug in history. I belong to the days of the oxcart and the flail. I have destroyed thousands of homes and desolated many lives. I have caused the death of thousands of innocent children. I was the cause of the Chicago fire. I stole the oxygen from the air causing ill health. I have implicated eyesight of thousands. I have broken families and driven many boys and girls to the city. I am a source of drudgery to the housewife. I have created a shortage of farm help all over the world and reduced the production. I should be condemned and banished from the civilized world. I am a thing of the past. My life is about over."

**VIOLA DANA AT STRAND**  
Viola Dana, the champion knitter of Hollywood, chalk up one more accomplishment in favor of Metro's busy star of "Love in the Dark" at the Strand theater tonight. With twenty sweaters as her goal, and now engaged in knitting the fifteenth, the industrious Viola challenges all comers among the knitters.

"I am now knitting my fifteenth sweater this season," said the petite Viola, as she displayed a stunning effect in silken tans and blues. "They are so simple to make, that it doesn't take long for them to multiply." Several of these sweaters are worn by Miss Dana in "Love in the Dark."

**WARNS AGAINST EYE STRAIN**  
NEW YORK.—Connoisseurs should take care not to strain their eyes by over much reading, and kind friends would do well to send too many books to persons recuperating from the effects of a severe illness, according to the National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness. There is danger of the convalescent subjecting his eyes to such severe strain by attempting to read all the books sent him, as to result in his vision being materially and permanently weakened.

**Salmon Spawn in Fall**  
Salmon and trout lay their eggs in the autumn. The hen fish seems to plow right in the gravelly bottom with her body and the trench in which she finally lays her eggs may be full ten feet long. The trench then is covered up, both parents joining in the work until it becomes a mound. The Salmon lays about nine hundred eggs for each pound of her weight. The American salmon, unlike those that live in other waters, are peculiar in that the parent salmon seldom get back to sea alive.

It is against Moslem law and tradition for a Turkish woman to wear a hat.

**HONOLULU MAY BROADCAST THE ENTIRE PACIFIC OCEAN**  
HONOLULU.—All the countries bordering the Pacific Ocean, from the Aleutian Islands on the north to the southernmost coral reef and from California to China, will be regarded as the broadcasting territory of a new radio system if the present plan of the Pan-Pacific Union materializes. Honolulu would be the center, and a powerful station would be used for sending daily messages of good will and programs instructive, entertaining and enlightening to the peoples of the Pacific.

**TURKEYS FLY FROM BANK ROOF**  
KASSON, Minn.—Announcing that they would set free from the roof of the bank building, four turkeys and ten chickens at three different times during the day, the First National Bank here staged one of the most unusual Christmas parties of southeastern Minnesota. Some came quickly to earth. Others soared away, particularly the turkeys.

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Alice Joyce, leading support of George Arliss, at the Casino all week in "The Green Goddess."

## FIND WAX TABLET DATED BACK TO TIME OF CHRIST

PRINCETON, N. J.—Pictures of a wax tablet dated within a century of the death of Christ, were shown members of the American Philological association at their annual meeting Thursday by Dr. Francis W. Kelsey, of the University of Michigan. The tablet, too fragile to be taken from its place in the university vaults, is considered by archaeologists to be the most perfect extant, he said.

Its record is that of the birth of a girl, Herennia Gemella, March 11, 128. It was brought to London from Egypt in 1922, having recently been discovered, probably in Fayoum, Professor Kelsey thought. It is, he declared, the only complete Latin document known, only imperfect ones having been discovered before.

**More Co-Eds Marrying Now**  
Miss Mary B. Breed, director of the Margaret Morrison Carnegie college of Pittsburgh, told the national conference on secretarial science recently that marriage is cutting deeply into the ranks of graduates of women's colleges and universities. Miss Breed found in her survey that the women usually worked about a year and then married, thus dissipating the fear that education was robbing the home.

**Claims Napoleon Was German**  
Professor Hall of the University of Graz in Germany, has come forward with the claim that Napoleon Bonaparte was a German, the descendant of a Prussian family named Pohl who, representing the militaristic dominance in the section, moved to Corsica and took the name Napoleon. The oldest son, the Herr professor maintains, turned out to be the Napoleon of French history.

**To Develop Husky Co-Eds**  
Radcliffe college at Boston has set out to produce a husky type of college girl. The physical education department of the college has announced a new policy intended to eliminate the so-called butterfly type of college girl. Every girl entering will be obliged to take three hours physical education and training a week in addition to her usual academic studies. Horseback riding and archery will be emphasized.

## ALASKA WILL BE CHARTED FOR AIR FLIGHT TO POLE

Navy's Polar Exploration Voy-  
age Now Being Planned  
by Aviation Chief

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Advance parties will be sent to Seward and other Northern Alaska points as soon as possible for preliminary aerological work in preparation for the navy's polar exploration flight under plane worked out by the special board of naval officers headed by Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, chief of naval aviation, and tentatively approved by Secretary Denby.

The dirigible Shenandoah, with special equipment and certain changes to meet conditions, is to undertake the main part of the "exploration of the north polar regions," which the board found could be attempted next summer. Nome, Alaska, was selected as the principal base, being available to shipping usually during the first week in June.

Numerous flights are contemplated to fulfill the expedition purposes of exploration, which will include a study of the vast unknown area north of Alaska, scientific investigation, and pioneer work looking to establishment of the "practicability of a trans-polar air route" from western Europe to Japan.

**Cossacks Claim Rodeo Idea**  
To prove their contention that the wild west stunts of the Rodeo were offshoots of the Russian Cossacks' training Prince Greig, Colonel Keroff and Captain Natiboff, visitors from Russia recently took part in a rodeo program of horsemanship, doing in their Cossack manner many of the daring stunts exhibited by the cowboys.

## EXPERTS OF LEAGUE ISSUE ANALYSIS OF FINANCES OF EUROPE

GENEVA.—In view of present plans to hasten a settlement of the reparations problem, with the cooperation, if possible, of the United States, special interest attaches to a review of the financial position of 14 countries, mostly European, together with certain remarks on the German reparations question, contained in a memorandum issued by the League of Nations.

The report shows that in most countries a sound financial policy has been adopted and considerable savings have been effected, although the ever-increasing burden of the public debt has in many cases swallowed up what may have been saved by cutting down the administration. The development of the public debt has been compared with the changes in the price level, i. e., the nominal amount of the debt has been divided by the wholesale price index number, and in this way reduced to pre-war price level.

It is noteworthy that in this case it is seen that the French debt has risen to three times the amount of the pre-war debt, the British debt to seven times the amount, and the American debt to nearly 13 times the amount of the pre-war debt.

At the same time, it is pointed out that before the war France had, per head of her population, a much higher debt than Great Britain or the United States and also that, in these two last named countries, deflation has considerably increased the public debt. It is rather remarkable, says the report, that the two countries in which the public debt shows the greatest real increase are the only countries which have been able to make any substantial repayments of their debts.

## LA CRESCENT NOTES

LA CRESCENT, Minn.—At the Catholic church Rev. F. J. Eudene celebrated midnight Mass for Christmas eve. On Christmas eve the Epworth League of the M. E. church held the Christmas program at the church. Presents were distributed.

E. C. Webster will speak on "How to win" at the annual convention of the Wisconsin State Horticultural society at Madison Jan. 10, 11 and 12.

Miss Marie Gillespie of Mason city and Mr. James Gillespie of Minneapolis spent Christmas at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gillespie.

Mrs. Philip Flittig, at her home Saturday evening, entertained a Christmas party for the Frisella embroidery club was entertained at a Christmas party after Mrs. Wm. Kramer Wednesday afternoon.

The school has closed for a Christmas vacation. The teachers all going to their homes. Miss Nilsson to Minnesota; Miss Widen to Ontario; Miss Alice Hubbard to Forest Lake, Minn.; Miss Thylson to Albert Lea, Minn.; La Verna Gillette is home for her Christmas vacation from Minneapolis where he attends school.

Ernest Tiffany who is home for a short Christmas vacation from Minneapolis was pleasantly surprised Sunday evening by a number of his friends.

**New Parachute in Sight**  
A new parachute that will open in one and one fifth seconds after being let go from an airplane or balloon, is being perfected by the Follmer-Clogg company at Lancaster, Pa., which makes all the parachutes used by the United States air services. The company makes a special silk for the parachutes and only recently made up 32 for the new U. S. Shenandoah, the giant dirigible which recently had its successful launching.

**Toy Balloon Flies 1000 Miles**  
What is probably a record flight for a toy balloon is recorded by a resident of Konigsberg, a seaport town of Germany, who found the tiny gas bag descending after a flight from Poeschick, Cumberland, England. It cost him 650 marks to mail the balloon back to its owner. The balloon had been entered in a contest.

## MOVIES

### "POTASH AND PERLMUTTER"

A remarkable film shown an engagement at the Rivoli theater last night. It is "Potash and Perlmutter," from the famous stage play by Monologue class and Charles Klein.

A few seconds after the main title was flashed on the screen there arose a flutter among the audience. A minute later it had expanded into a roar of laughter which grew constantly in volume and remained practically continuous. Now and then there was a lull, as a tender note of pathos was sounded, but in a moment the theater again was rocking.

Barney Bernard and Alexander Carr, who play the parts of the partners, Abe and Morris, are convincing in human and convincing in comedy in their first appearance before the camera. Vera Gordon, co-star, was equally effective as the bridgeplaying Rosie Potash.

**CASINO TODAY**  
By virtue of his remarkable work on the settings of "The Green Goddess," Clark Robinson, the young American designer, challenges the

### HAIL TO WEIGHT OF POUND SHELLS CITY OF PRETORIA

PRETORIA, South Africa.—An unprecedented hail storm fell here on Christmas day. The hail consisted of jagged lumps of ice, many of which weighed more than 16 ounces. Casualties were few because the storm broke at an hour when the population was sheltered. But when it had passed away many persons were compelled to quit their homes either because the buildings were flooded or because collapse of the weakened structures seemed imminent. The property damage is estimated to have been several hundred thousand pounds.

### RHEUMATISM AMONG CHICKENS

Rheumatism is not an uncommon ailment among chickens. It attacks hens mainly, and leaves them in about the same condition a human being finds himself in when rheumatism attacks his joints. The chicken's joints are enlarged and the toes double up and the foot walks with difficulty at times. One temporary treatment is to dip the legs for a few minutes in warm water.

### GUARDS OIL POSSIBILITIES

The Province of Burgos, Spain, is taking precautions against advancing some valuable lands that may have rich oil deposits. This province has excluded from claim rights a portion of itself because the geological institute of Spain believes the lands reserved contain rich petroleum deposits.

### WILD DOGS DO NOT BARK

Wild dogs do not bark. Some of them have curious cries, but the bark is a development of the canine in captivity. The wild dog usually runs in packs like the wolf. As a rule wild dogs also hold their tails and ears erect but are unpleasant creatures when compared to the domesticated canines.

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**VIOLA DANA**

—IN—  
**"Love In The Dark"**

—AND—  
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WM. S. HART  
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—AND—  
**Betty Francisco**

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—AND—  
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